Chapter 30:
BACKFIRE

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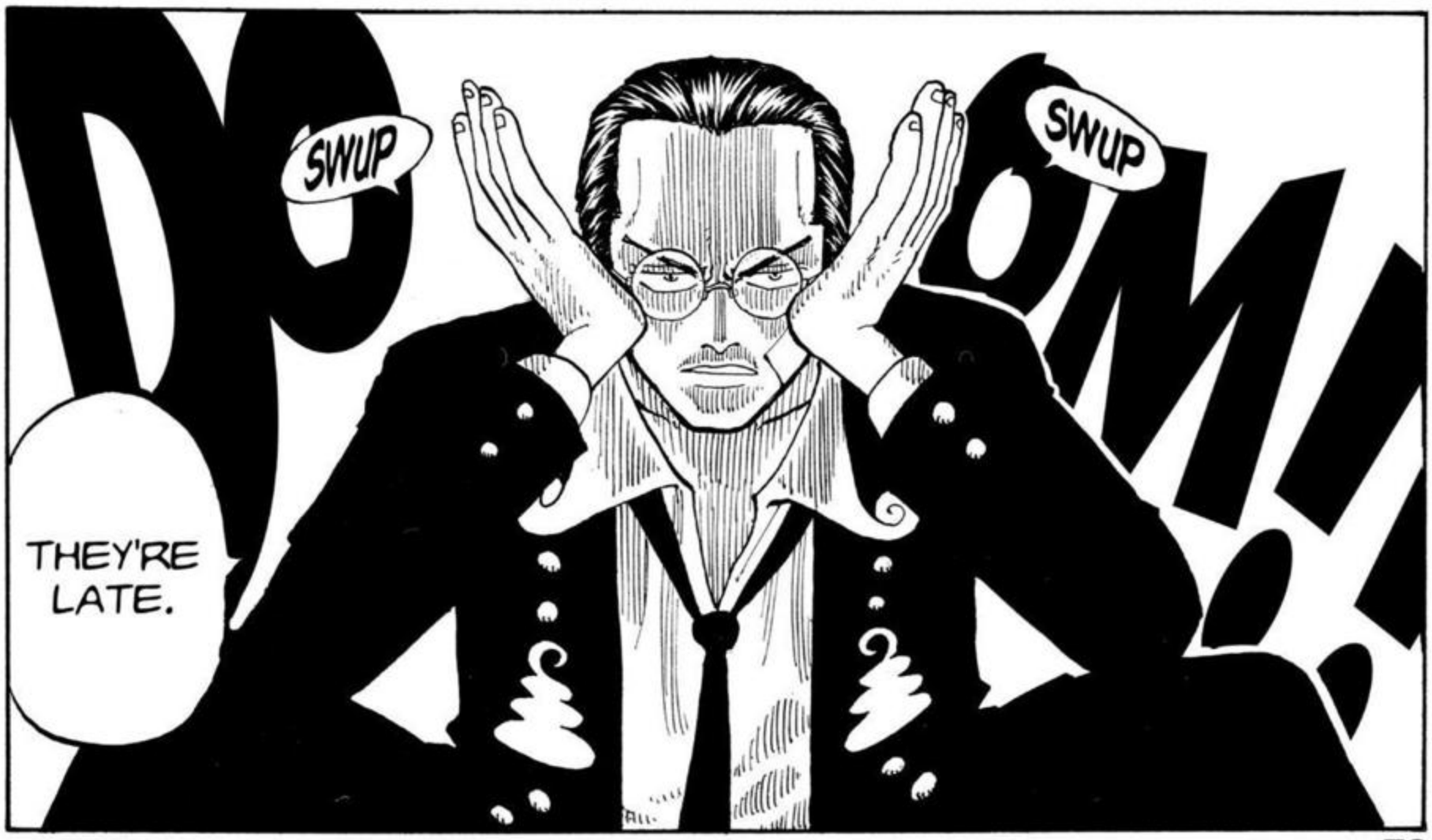
SWUP
SWUP
DO
OM!
THEY'RE LATE.

THEY'RE DILLY-DALLYING!!

CURSE THOSE SWABS...

THEY KNOW THE PENALTY FOR RUINING MY PLANS.

BUT IF THEY NEED A RE-MINDER...

WUP. . . . !

TMP

TMP

TMP

I'LL PUT THEM ALL TO DEATH!!

OOOOOO

DO—OH!!

.....!!

YUP!

I DIDN'T REALIZE YOU GUYS WERE SO TOUGH!!

YOU LEFT ME STRANDED IN THAT QUAGMIRE!!

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CHOMP

STOP FOR A MANI-CURE?

WHAT TOOK YOU TWO SO LONG?

I ONLY HAD A ROUGH IDEA! VERY ROUGH!

YOU RAN OFF LIKE YOU KNEW WHERE YOU WERE GOING!

HOW WAS I TO KNOW WHICH WAY WAS NORTH AND WHICH WASN'T NORTH!?

THEN ***YOU*** SHOULD HAVE STAYED STUCK!!

THAT WAS AN ACCIDENT! BESIDES, IT WAS BETTER THAT ONE OF US GOT FREE THAN FOR BOTH OF US TO BE STUCK.

YARR...

....!!

PLEASE TELL ME HOW THOSE TWO ***CHILDREN*** BESTED THE LOT OF YOU!

ER, PARDON ME...

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

NOW LISTEN! WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO PLAY AROUND HERE!

IF OUR OPPONENT IS STRONG, WE MUST BE EVEN STRONGER!!

HEY, THEY'RE STILL ALIVE!

THEY'VE GOT REAL SPUNK!

AND YOU'LL KEEP GETTING STRONGER AND STRONGER!!

AND ALL YOUR WOUNDS WILL HEAL INSTANTLY!!

SWUP SWUP

WHEN I SAY "ONE, TWO, DJANGO," YOU'LL ALL BECOME SUPER-HUMANLY STRONG...

EVERY-BODY, LOOK AT THIS RING!!

WHAT A LOAD OF BILGE-WATER!

HYPNOTISM! HE'S TRYING TO MAKE THEM BELIEVE THAT THEY'RE GETTING STRONGER!

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WHO KNOWS?

WHAT ARE THOSE GUYS DOING?

SWAP

DJANGO!!!

TWO!!

ONE!!

WOBBLE

....!!

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

WHOA...

!!!

YARRRRR!!!

YAARRRR!!!

KRAK

PEK

WHAT THE HECK!?

THEY WERE EXHAUSTED A MOMENT AGO!!

NO WAY!!

AGRR!

ARGH!!

WHAM!

K

!!?

YARRRR!!!

RASH

WHAT POWER!!

HE BROKE THE CLIFF!!

NOW MARCH! AND IF ANYONE TRIES TO STOP YOU, DESTROY THEM!!!

ONE OF THEM CAN DEMOLISH A CLIFF, AND THERE'S A WHOLE HORDE OF THEM!!

INCREDIBLE! HIS HYPNOSIS REALLY WORKED!!!

ARRRGH!!!

LUFFY AND I WILL DEAL WITH--

YOU TWO WAIT AT THE TOP OF THE HILL!!

LUFFY!?

YARRR!!

LUFFY?

YARRR!!!!!

YARRR!!!!!

HE HYPNOTIZED YOU, TOO!?

GRAR——!!

THE HYPNO-SIS WASN'T EVEN AIMED AT HIM!

...

THAT FEEBLE-MINDED FOOL!

HUH?

VOOM!

YARRR!!

LUFFY!!

YARRR!

YARR!!

YARRRA

VOOM VOOM VOOM VOOM VOOM

GUM-GUM...

NO-AH-AH-AH!!?

...GATLING GUN!!!

VRAS

ARRRGH!!

!!!

!!?

HIS ARMS...

TMP TMP TMP TMP

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

ARRGH!!!

GRRR

BLUARGGH!!

TMP TMP TMP TMP

!

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

ARRRGH!!

WAK FWUMP

SWAK

!?

OOF!!!

...

KREEK
KRAK
KREK
ERRRGH!!
WHAT'S HE GONNA DO!?
EH...?
KREEK
KRAK
SNAP
H-
HE'S TEARING OFF THE STEMPOST!!
HE'LL SCUTTLE THE SHIP!!!
.....!!!
GO, LUFFY!!
.....!?
HERRF!!
KERRRAK...!!

Wa Loo

HE'LL SMASH US LIKE ROACHES!!

SHUF SHUF SHUF

CAPTAIN! DO SOME-THING!!!

GASP!

GRRRG!!

YE GODS!

NO!!

ONE...

FWIP

!!

ON "ONE, TWO, DJANGO," YOU'LL FALL ASLEEP!!

FWUP

DJANGO!!!

YARR!!!

TWO!!

WOOSH

SHIVER ME TIMBERS!!

ZZZ

ZZZZ

KA-BOOM!!

ZZZ

ARRGH!!

ZZZ

ZZZ

FWUMP!!

HWOOOO

.....

HUF

HUF

222

222

IF CAPTAIN KURO FINDS OUT...

HE'LL SHRED THESE BRATS TO SHOE-STRINGS AND US ALONG WITH THEM!!

THAT BRAT! HE'S SCUP-PERED US!!

NOW WE CAN'T CARRY OUT THE PLAN!

PLINK

JUST SEE TO YOUR OWN WOUNDS.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT HIM. HE'LL BE FINE.

BUT NOW HE'S SMASHED UNDER THE STEMPOST!!

LUFFY WIPED OUT MOST OF THEM.

TAP TAP

THE BOW!? HOW'D THAT HAPPEN!?

HEY, BUTCHIE! GET OVER HERE! THE BOW'S BROKEN!

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SOUNDS LIKE THEY'VE GOT MORE MEN ON THE SHIP...

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....!?

THE *MEOWBAN BROTHERS!* THE SHIP GUARDS!

HEY, IT'S--

DO OM!

THEY WERE STILL ON THE SHIP!!!

AYE, BOY!

READ THIS WAY

TMP TMP TMP TMP

SNUP

CHAK CHAK

WHY'S HE HEADING FOR THE BEACH SO EARLY?

GULP!

IT'S THAT BUTT-GUY FROM THE MANSION!!

....!?

SHUF SHUF

TAK TAK

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Q: HOW FAR CAN LUFFY STRETCH HIS ARMS?

A: HE CAN STRETCH THEM PRETTY FAR. RIGHT NOW HE CAN STRETCH THEM ABOUT 72 GUM-GUMS, BUT LUFFY RECENTLY SAID HE WANTS TO WORK UP TO A STRETCH OF 100 GUM-GUMS.

Q: ***HELLO. THANKS TO YOU, I WAS ABLE TO ENTER HIGH SCHOOL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.***

A: HUH? ER, YOU'RE WELCOME?

Q: ***HOW DO YOU COME UP WITH NAMES FOR YOUR CHARACTERS?***

A: I TRY TO GIVE THEM NAMES THAT SOUND GOOD. SOMETIMES FROM REAL PIRATES AND SOMETIMES NOT.

Q: ***WHY DOESN'T LUFFY EVER KILL HIS ENEMIES? I REREAD ALL THE MANGA AND HE DIDN'T KILL MOHJI, AND HE DIDN'T KILL HELMEPPO OR CAPTAIN MORGAN, ALTHOUGH MORGAN WAS DONE IN BY ZOLO. WHY IS THAT?***

A: GOOD QUESTION. FIRST OF ALL, CAPTAIN MORGAN IS STILL ALIVE. HE WAS CAPTURED BY HIS FORMER MEN AND THROWN IN THE BRIG. THE REASON LUFFY DOESN'T KILL IS THIS: IN HIS ERA, MEN LIVE BY THEIR BELIEFS AND RISK THEIR LIVES TO DEFEND THEM. LUFFY SHATTERS THE BELIEFS OF HIS ENEMIES BY DEFEATING THEM. FOR THEM TO SUFFER DEFEAT AND TO HAVE THEIR BELIEFS DESTROYED IS AS BAD AS DEATH. KILLING THEIR BODIES IS BESIDE THE POINT. I FEEL THAT, AS PIRATES, LUFFY AND HIS ENEMIES CARE MORE ABOUT VICTORY AND DEFEAT THAN THEY CARE ABOUT THEIR LIVES.